

Application No.: 09/740215

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Remarks

Claims 31-47, 53, 54 and 63-103 are pending. Claim 74 has been canceled. Claims 31-47, 53, 54 and 65 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 63, 64, 66, 71 and 75 are amended. No claims have been added.

§ 102 Rejections

Claims 66-70, 76-82 and 92-97 have been rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by U. S. Patent 5,632,946 (Bacon).

§ 103 Rejections

Claims 63, 64, 66-70, 72, 76-88 and 91-97 have been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bacon in view of U. S. Patent 3,936,567 (Vessely).

Claim 73 has been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bacon in view of U. S. Patent 4,085,314. (Schultz)

Objections

Claims 71, 74, 75, 89 and 90 have been objected to as being dependant upon a rejected claim.

Allowed Claims

Claims 98-103 have been allowed.

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Discussion

Pursuant to the Examiner's suggestion, claims 63, 64 and 66 have been amended to recite that the surface of the discrete segments of reflective sheeting not in contact with the carrier comprises an adhesive. Claims 71 and 75 have been amended to make them consistent with the language used in claim 66. Claim 74 has been cancelled.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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